

REMARKS

The present amendment is for the purpose of providing the allowable claims in independent form. Claims 6 and 19 were amended to present them as independent claims, incorporating the features of any intervening claims. Claims 2, 7, 9-11, 13, 15, 20, 22-24, and 26 were amended to change their dependencies to one of claims 6 or 19, as appropriate. Claims 1, 5, 14, 18, and 27 were canceled.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at (713) 934-4070 with any questions, comments or suggestions relating to the referenced patent application.

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